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Jena Shri Rabindra Kumar

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136. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the relic caskets found from the main stupa of Lalitgiri in the year 1985-87 by the Archaeological Survey of India, Bhubaneshwar Circle, shall be displayed in a museum of importance in Odisha to promote tourism in East India;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. In order to promote tourism in Eastern India, the relic caskets
found from the main stupa of Lalitgiri in the year 1985-87 by the Bhubaneshwar Circle, Archaeological Survey of India, shall be displayed at the Archaeological Site Museum, Lalitgiri, which is under construction, once the museum building becomes operational.

(c) Question does not arise.

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